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Harmon C. McAllister, Ph.D.
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900 Third Avenue
New York, NY 10022

Dear Dr. McAllister:

We are writing to ask your support for the 1995 Annual Meeting of the Society for Developmental Biology on "Genes, Development and Cancer" to be held August 26 through August 30, 1995 at the University of California, San Diego.

This year's symposium is organized by Helen M. Blau, current President of the SDB, together with Nadia Rosenthal, Associate Professor at Harvard Medical School, and will be attended by researchers and teachers interested in the study of development, including graduate students and postdoctoral fellows. We expect that, as during the past 7 years, the meeting will be of medium size (300-400 registrants), and we encourage junior level attendance by providing them some financial support. The meeting will include a broad range of topics, following the extremely successful organization of talks and posters that was newly established for the past two years' SDB annual meetings. Plant, animal and microbial systems will all be represented in session organized around "themes" rather than specific systems or organisms. A particular focus will be the control of the cell cycle and its relationship to developmental processes and cancer. We plan 60 scientific talks, beginning with an opening evening keynote address. Highlighted during the next 3 days will be a series of 1 keynote and 6 plenary sessions that include 18 exciting invited speakers. Additionally, there will be 8 "minisymposia" arranged in 2 sessions (4 minisymposia running in parallel during each session). The minisymposia will be organized and chaired by experts in the areas and at least two talks will be given by junior people in each, thus providing them with an opportunity to speak at the national level. Poster sessions will also provide opportunities for young people to present their work. These will be available for viewing during most of the meeting providing ample time for discussion. Reflecting the growing role of the SDB in the affairs and concerns of its membership, this year's meeting will include three issue-oriented workshops on education, the concerns of women, and on the concerns of minorities.

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It is clear that this will be a highly attended and important conference. We have requested funds from the National Institutes of Health to help defray travel costs for speakers and young scientists. However, the budgets of these agencies are, as you know, extremely tight and the support we anticipate receiving for this conference will be grossly inadequate. We are therefore depending on the generosity and long term vision of corporations to help insure the success of this conference. Speakers having limited grant support, especially junior faculty, may cancel their participation in the meeting unless we can provide funds to cover a significant portion of their essential travel/lodging expenses. Speakers do not receive lecture fees or honoraria.

Should you be able to make a contribution to this important meeting, it should be made payable to the Society for Developmental Biology, and sent to:

The Society for Developmental Biology,
9650 Rockville Pike, Bethesda, MD, 20814-3998
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If written notice of intent is received promptly, your contribution will be acknowledged in symposium announcements as well as at the meeting. Please contact Dr. Ida Chow at the address below if you have any questions concerning corporate/foundation support to the Society for Developmental Biology. We would be happy to provide further information regarding the scientific content of this conference.

Sincerely,

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